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SUBJ: PRESS REACTION TO INITIAL FRASER-NIX SUBCOMMITTEE  
HEARINGS

1. BOTH VERNACULAR AND ENGLISH LANGUAGE PRESS HAVE  
FEATURED ON FRONT PAGES ACTING ASST SECRETARY HUMMEL'S  
AND DEFENSE DEPUTY ASST SECRETARY ABRAMOWITZ'S TESTIMONY  
TO THE FRASER-NIX JOINT SUBCOMMITTEE'S HEARINGS ON KOREA.  
PAPERS FOCUS ON QUOTES CONCERNING KOREA'S STRATEGIC IMPORTANCE  
TO U.S. AND KOREAN PEOPLE'S FEELING THAT (1) THERE IS GENUINE  
THREAT FROM NORTH KOREA AND (2) THAT THE SOUTH IS UNDER A  
STATE OF SEIGE. PRESS FURTHER QUOTES U.S. OFFICIALS AS SAYING  
THAT WEAKENING SELF-DEFENSE CAPABILITIES OF SOUTH KOREA IS  
NOT WAY TO CONTRIBUTE TO DEMOCRACY AND PEACE  
IN THE SOUTH.

2. GOVERNMENT ENGLISH LANGUAGE KOREA HERALD COMMENTED  
HOWEVER THWT ASST. SECRETARY HUMMEL WAS "RATHER AMBIGUOUS  
IN EXPRESSING AMERICAN GOVERNMENT'S POSITION ON SPECIFIC  
POLICIES OF HUMAN RIGHTS IN KOREA."

3. ALL JULY 31 AFTERNOON PAPERS RECORDED CONGRESSMAN  
FRASER'S URGING THAT US MILITARY AID PROGRAM BE CUT  
AND THAT FORMER AMBASSADOR REISCHAUER HAD ADVOCATED BEGINNING  
REDUCTION OF 38,000 AMERICAN TROOPS.

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